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AND IMAGE FORMING METHOD

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes the following:

Amendments to the Abstract, appended hereto on a separate sheet of paper;

Amendments to Specification which begin on page 3;

Amendments to the claims which begins on page 4; and

Remarks which begin on page 8.